

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-16: (cancelled)

Claim 17 (new): A prosthetic knee, comprising:

- a femoral component having a hinge post rotatably connected thereto;
- a hinge post extension extending from said hinge post;
- a tibial component including a hinge post extension aperture, whereby said hinge post extension is positioned within said hinge post extension aperture when the prosthetic knee is operably assembled, whereby said hinge post is fully constrained by said tibial component against displacement in a direction perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of said hinge post extension, and whereby said femoral component is rotatable about said longitudinal axis of said hinge post extension; and

- a meniscal component positioned between said femoral component and said tibial component, said femoral component including a condylar bearing surface, said meniscal component including a cooperative bearing surface abutting said condylar bearing surface of said femoral component.

Claim 18 (new): A prosthetic knee, comprising:

- a femoral component;
- a tibial component;
- a meniscal component positioned between said femoral component and said tibial component, said femoral component including a condylar bearing surface, said meniscal component including a cooperative bearing surface facing said condylar bearing surface of said femoral component, said femoral component rotatably connected to said tibial component; and
- means for retaining the connection of said femoral component to said tibial

component during flexion and extension of the prosthetic knee.

Claim 19 (new): A prosthetic femoral component, comprising:

- a femoral component body;
- a hinge post rotatably connected to said femoral component body; and
- a bearing box connected to said femoral component body, said bearing box interposed between said hinge post and said femoral component body, said bearing box including a hyperextension stop, said hinge post including a hyperextension stop surface, said hyperextension stop contacting said hyperextension stop surface to prevent further hyperextension of the prosthetic knee body beyond a predetermined point of hyperextension.

Claim 20 (new): The prosthetic femoral component of Claim 19, wherein said predetermined point of hyperextension comprises four degrees of hyperextension of the prosthetic knee body.

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